

To our Country Patrons.

Please to register your letters containing remittances, so we hold ourselves responsible for all losses to us when letters are registered. We are not responsible for letters in the mail, should any come, and are not liable for damages.

The Radicals ought to recollect that the people of this country are alien to the Federal Government upon the terms prescribed in the Constitution; and on no other conditions whatever. They may submit to power; but they are under no moral obligations to do so. They ought to recollect, moreover, that their notions of the Constitution differ widely with those who framed the Government and administered it at its origin, and generally since, and their advent to power will bring with them their frequent disappointments.

An Important Railroad Project—Louisville to be Connected with the Pacific Coast.

From parties who arrived from Arkansas last evening, we learn that the Legislature of that State passed an act, which was approved by the Governor on the 26th December, 1868, incorporating a company to build the Little Rock and Fort Towson Railroad, which will be the way of the Colorado and Horizons, through a Southwestern direction to Fort Towson, passing through the States of Arkansas and developing the richest mineral resources of the State, including copper, silver and petroleum. It is proposed by the company incorporated by the State of Arkansas, which have a capital of \$50,000, to extend the road on through the country and Mexico, until it touches the Pacific shore. It is also proposed that this road shall connect with the Little Rock and Memphis road, and as we have an air-line road from Memphis to Louisville; if the road referred to shall be built, Louisville will have an almost line connection with the Pacific coast. The matter is a most important one to the citizens, not only of Louisville, but also of the State of Kentucky. The project is now being pushed forward by capital, and, if completed, and we will be well on our way to the West and the Republics of the West and Southwest. We shall speak further of this great enterprise of some future time.

SHOOTING AFFAIR LAST NIGHT.

TWO PARTIES WOUNDED.

A terrible excitement was created in the vicinity of the corner of Fifth and Jefferson streets, by four pistol-shots fired in rapid succession. The parties, as near as we could learn them, are these: Captain John Perkins, a man 60 years of age, who, in addition to his numbered wife, has a family of five children. He has resided for a number of years in this city, and been a member of one of our leading religious denominations, and enjoyed the fullest confidence of all who knew him. For some eight years he was night watchman at the oil mill of Waters & Fox, and it will be remembered, that a short time ago this year, having missed various sums of money, set a trap to catch the thief who shortly entered their vault, little thinking at the time that their trusty friend, John Perkins, would fall into the hands of the officers; but such was the case, as he was caught in the very act of robbing the safe. He was arrested, tried, convicted and sentenced for the crime of grand larceny of the county of Louisville, to two years confinement in the State prison, but, on account of his old age and the dependency of his family, was pardoned by the Governor. The greatest sympathy was felt for the old man, and his friends hoped that he would return from the path of sin into which he had been allured, and again return to the path of honesty and rectitude, but in this their hopes were to be blasted as will be seen from the sequel which follows below.

PLACE OF THE TRAGEDY.

Is a three story brick house on Market street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth, the family of Perkins occupying the second story and the rear room of the third. It was in the latter room that Mr. Perkins, his wife, one daughter and son step-children, members of the family occupying the rear room, were confined to the State prison, and the wife of his son, the widow of Captain John Perkins, was a small dark one, and one well adapted for the perpetration of a crime without detection.

THE TRAGEDY.

The Philadelphia Press says every new railroad built in the North will be challenged in the South. Mr. Pecksniff said the wonderful machinery he put in motion in the digestive organs by eating his dinner, caused him to regard himself at such times as a benefactor of his kind.

THOMAS MORRISSEY.

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THE ENGLISH GOVERNMENT.

Our army is blamed for feeding the Indians in northern New Mexico, instead of fighting them. Perhaps food is the only way by which our army can give them their bellies full.

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TELEGRAPH

SPECIAL DISPATCHES

TO THE DEMOCRAT.

FROM CAIRO.

Port List—River, Business and Weather—Heavy Ice Running Out of the Mississippi.

[Special to the Louisville Democrat.]

CAIRO, Dec. 28.

Port List—Sam Orr, from Evansville; from Nashville; Quickstep, from Louisville; Adam Jacobs, from St. Louis; Memphis; J. W. Graham, from Memphis; Cairo; Lexington, from New Orleans to St. Louis; W. R. Arthur, from New Orleans to Cairo; War Eagle, from Louisianna to New Orleans; Memphis, from Louisville; S. J. McCune, from St. Louis; White river.

The river is stationary. Thermometer, and the weather dark. Business good. Heavy ice is running out of the Mississippi, and the latest down boats find it doable of up boats reaching St. Louis. The Arthur and Graham have up boats.

FROM PITTSBURG.

Weather—River—Oil Market.

[Special to the Louisville Democrat.]

PITTSBURG, Dec. 28.

The weather remains intensely cold. Navigation is suspended to all points. Boats will venture out until we have a change in the weather. Business was off.

The skating parks are in full operation, doing it while they are young. The oil trade is suspended for the present.

TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ESTERDAY'S MOON DISPATCHES.

FROM NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.

The Herald's Indianapolis correspondent, on the 13th, says the revolution is still at fever heat. There are sixteen rebels in the city, and the hospitals of the city are in excruciating condition. The rebels are still at the front, and the rebels have been dislodged from the last and say the rebels are still at the front.

General Grant has recovered from his illness. He was at headquarters.

General incompetents and corrupt disloyal inspectors in New York were dismissed to-day. This is a part of the result of the Congressional investigating committee.

One of the finest boats on the Mississippi will leave with the party to-morrow morning, and steam down to New Orleans, where they will receive visitors, and depart for Washington at seven o'clock.

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The treasury detectives have obtained possession of one of the most dangerous pieces of evidence in the country, which is a fine imitation of the fifty dollar gold coins, with the vignette likeness of Alex. Hamilton, and is an exact counterfeiting of the original.

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The race to-day was suspended. The horses were all beaten, best three in five, won by Maloney, in three straight heats. Time—1:50; 1:50; 1:50%.

Astrognad—Astrognad, with a record of over 200,000.

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